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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/516,450 Confirmation No.: 2998  
Applicant : Gary E. GILBERT and Jialan SHI  
Filed : December 2, 2004  
Title : METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR INHIBITING OR SLOWING BLOOD COAGULATION  
Group Art Unit : 1656  
Examiner : Desai, Anand U.  
Atty. Docket No. : US 1418/04  
Date : November 15, 2007

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of October 18, 2007, the period for filing a response to which having been currently set to expire on January 18, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Appl. No. 10/516,450  
Amdt. dated November 15, 2007  
Reply to Office Action of October 18, 2007

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.